

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

Please revise the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 16, as follows:

When using aldehyde-functionalized polymers as described herein having net anionic charge, a method of fixing the polymer to the fiber is needed. This fixing is typically accomplished by using cationic materials in conjunction with the polymers. Such cationic materials are most frequently coagulants, either inorganic (e.g. alum, polyaluminum chlorides, iron chloride or sulfate, and any other cationic hydrolyzing salt) or organic (e.g. p-DADMACs, EPI/DMAAs, PEIs, modified PEIs or any other high charged density low to medium molecular weight polymers). Additionally, cationic materials added for other purposes like starch, wet strength, or retention additives can also serve to fix the anionic polymer. No additional additives are ~~need~~ needed to fix cationic aldehyde-functionalized polymers to the filler.